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## REPORT OF THE CHRONICLER.

### PRINCIPAL LOCAL EVENTS OF THE YEAR 1904.

- The Chronicler submitted the following report:
- 1904.
- Jan. 5. Three degrees below zero recorded.  
“ 8. Georgetown University Hospital dedicated.  
“ 25. Remains of James Smithson brought to this city.  
Feb. 22. University Club formed.  
“ 26. Rhodes scholarship trustees decide that the District is not entitled to the benefit of the fund for the reason it is neither a state nor a territory.  
March 14. Opening of Gardiner Greene Hubbard Memorial Hall.  
April 1. James Tanner takes the oath as Register of Wills, *vice* L. A. Dent resigned.  
“ 7. Permit granted for the extension of the I Street railway line.  
“ 18. Corner-stone of D. A. R. Continental Hall laid.  
“ 29. Wendall P. Stafford appointed a member of the Supreme Court of the District, *vice* Judge Pritchard appointed U. S. Circuit Judge.  
May 25. Law requiring property owners to clean snow from sidewalks declared invalid.  
June 11. Statue of Dr. Benjamin Rush unveiled.  
“ 17. Work in construction of the foundation of the municipal building begun.  
“ 20. George F. Bowerman appointed librarian of the Public Library, *vice* Weston Flint resigned.  
Aug. 1. Corner-stone of Mount Pleasant M. E. Church laid.  
“ 12. 530 Porto Rican school teachers visit Washington.  
“ 12. Valuation of site for the Senate office building announced.  
“ 20. Police Court building plans approved.  
“ 25. First train over the new Potomac railway bridge.

- Sept.    1. Columbian University name changed to George  
              Washington University.
- “        26. Thos. E. Waggaman declared a bankrupt.
- Oct.     1. Metropolitan and Citizens National Banks merged.
- “        19. Commercial National Bank begins business.
- “        21. Bread advanced to six cents per loaf.
- Nov.    9. Old rate of five cents for bread restored.
- “        19. Statue of Frederick the Great unveiled.
- “        21. 110th anniversary of St. Patrick's Catholic Church  
              observed.
- “        30. Gen. J. M. Wilson appointed chairman of the Citi-  
              zens Inaugural Committee.
- Dec.    6. John A. Merritt reappointed city postmaster.
- “        16. Seth Shepherd nominated Chief Justice Court of  
              Appeals, *vice* Richard H. Alvey, retired. Charles  
              H. Duell appointed to succeed Judge Shepherd.
- “        17. Corner-stone of Y. M. C. A. building laid.
- “        21. Metropolitan Club building destroyed by fire.
- “        23. Maryland's interest in the C. and O. Canal sold to  
              the Wabash Railroad.
- “        24. President Roosevelt calls the attention of the Dis-  
              trict Commissioners to the violation of the smoke  
              law.
- “        30. The grand jury favors the establishment of the  
              whipping post in the District.